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REPORTS FROM SCENE OF ACCIDENT TWO PROBABLE CAUSES  
BUT WOULD NOT CONFIRM EITHER:

1. FIRE IN EQUIPMENT BAY.
2. INADVERTENT DETONATOR FIRING.

APPROXIMATELY 20 FEET TORN OFF LEFT WING AND 24 FEET OFF RIGHT  
WING. (FROM WING TIP INBOARD). EMPENNAGE SEPARATED FROM REAR  
FUSELAGE. A BURNED AREA WAS OBSERVED UNDER WINGS AND AFT OF  
EQUIPMENT BAY.

FURTHER INVESTIGATION WILL BE CONDUCTED DURING DAYLIGHT HRS  
18 SEPT. [REDACTED] WILL REMAIN ON SITE TO SUPERVISE PERSONALLY. 25X1A

ONE BFR PROFESSIONAL INVESTIGATOR SHOULD BE STRUCTURES EXPERT.

(END GD 11)